(c) whether it has come to the notice of the Government that thousands of bags of cement and lakhs of rupees worth machineries which were supplied to the Ghataprabha Right Bank Project were disappeared ?

SRI B.B. CHIMMANAKATTI (Minister of State for Major and Medium Irrigation

(a) Yes, 189 Metric tonnes of steel was brought from the Bhadravathi for Ghataprabha Project.

(b) The matter is under investigation.

(c) No.

Relief measures to the farmes

797 SRI S. R. BOMMAI (Hubli Rural).--Will the Chief Minister be pleased to state.—

(a) the Financial benefit involved in the reliefs announced by the Chief Minister to the farmers of the State after this Government assuming office on 12th January 1980 uptil now ;

(b) the amount involved in each of the benefits or reliefs given to the farmers ;

(c) the total enhanced amount accrued to the Government from the farmers by the increase of the water rate by an order dated 27th December 1980 ?

SRI R. GUNDU RAO (Chief Minister).—

(a) The details of the financial benefits from these relifs are as per Appendix—I. Enclosed.

(b) The details of the amount involved in each benefit is also indicated in Appendix—I. Enclosed.

(c) No amount accrued to Government in respect of water rates as per Government Order No. RD 192 EWR 80 dated 27th December 1980 because Government issued another order on 20th January 1981 revising the water rates for different crops. Previously the farmers were paying both betterment levy and water rate. Now betterment levy stands abolished and water rates have been revised. The per acre benefit for the farmer for different crops is indicated in Appendix – II. Enclosed.

Particulars of Statement 'B'

Clause (b) Sl. No.	Year	Taluk	No. of works	Total amount spent
1	1978-79	Mangalore	7	91,200
2		Bantwal	2	18,600
3		Puttur	4	77,700
4		Udupi	9	20,408
5		Coondapura	16	41,853
6		Karkala	11	83,970
7		Belthangadi	8	71,180
	1979-80	Mangalore	16	1,26,800
		Bantwal	9	1,12,900
		Puttur	4	61,300
		Sulya	3	21,100
		Udupi	11	96,662
		Coondapura	22	1,43,671
		Karkala	6	50,325
		Belthangadi	9	76,246
	1980-81	Mangalore	15	2,26,500
		Bantwal	7	50,500
		Puttur	6	51,500
		Sulya	...	...
		Udupi	12	32.820
		Coondapura	16	55,752
		Karkala	7	31,364
		Belthangadi	14	38,430

APPENDIX — I

Statement showing the item wise financial implications of the concessions given to farmers—

Sl. No.	Nature of concessions	Financial benefits to the farmers Rs. in crores	Remarks
1	(a) Abolition of betterment levy under the Karnataka Irrigation (Levy of Betterment contribution and water rate) Act 1957 (Over a period of 20 years)	500.00	...
	(b) Current demand as on date is of the order of	6.43	
2	Reduction of water rate on various crops	The per acres benefit to farmers on various crops are as per	
3	Payment of compensation on land acquisition where such compensation is due under irrigation projects.	3.00	Additional allotment at Rs. one crore during each month of January, February & March 1981 has been done.

1	2	3	4
4	Development of Achcut Roads in command areas of Major River Projects.	1.00	Earmarked during last quarters of the financial year 1980-81.
5	Reduction of sales tax on chemical fertilisers from 3% to 2%.	1.35	...
6	Amount kept at the disposal of food and civil supplies corporation under Minimum support price policy to avoid distress sale of farm products by the farmers.	24.00	
7	Providing soft loans to such farmers including small and Marginal farmers.	1.30	
8	Employment affirmation scheme for providing employment to landless Agriculture labourers in slack season	17.00	Rs. 8-5 crores are in cash and another 8.5 crores in the form of food grain a
9	Removal of taxes and other restrictions on the use of tractors and trailors of farmers.	3.00	
10	Abolition of Agricultural income tax	0.50	
11	introducing crop insurance scheme on pilot project, basis	2.00	
12	Abolition of land revenue upto 4'Hectres of dry land and equivalent rainfed wet land	1.64	
13	Abolition of takavi loans (Rough estimate)	7.00	

APPENDIX — II

Statement showing the per acre benefit for the farmers due to revision of water rates on different crops—

Sl. No.	Crop	Water rate per acre in Rs. as on 1-7-76	Betterment levy per acre in Rs.	Total of column 3+4	Water rates fixed as per G. O. No. RD 192 EWR 80, dt. 21-1-1981	Per acre benefit to farmer in Rs.
1	Sugarcane to be harvested within 11 months.	80	75	155	150	5
2	Sugarcane to be harvested after 11 months but with in 18 months	120	75	195	225	30
3	Paddy in Malnad areas with a rain fall of 1250 m.m.	20	75	95	32	63
4	Paddy in other areas	30	75	105	48	57
5	Wheat	18	75	93	24	69
6	Jowar	18	75	93	24	69
7	Groundnut	18	75	93	24	69
8	Cotton	18	75	93	48	45
9	Maize, Ragi, Navane, Sajje. Sweet potato Gingelly, Onion, tobacco Corriander	18	75	93	24	69
10	Pulses	...	...	...	18	...
11	Manurial Crops	9	75	84	9	75
12	Garden Crops	36	75	111	50	61